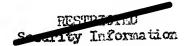
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Dear Mr. Directors

Pursuent to Executive Order 10431 signed by me this date,

I hereby authorize you to make awards of the National Security Medal
in accordance with the attached regulations, which I hereby approve.

You are also authorized to prepare for the President's approval such further rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of Executive Order 10h31, as may be necessary from time to time to accomplish its purposes.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ Herry Trunen

Honorable Walter B. Smith Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D. C.



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